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dextroglycose, commercially obtainable from starch by acid hydrolysis.

Also called corn sugar, grape sugar.

[Origin: 1865–70; DEXTR- + -OSE²]

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n. The dextrorotatory form of glucose, $C_6H_{12}O_6 \cdot H_2O$, found naturally in animal and plant tissue and derived synthetically from starch. Also called *dextroglucose*.

[dextri(o)glucose.]

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coined 1869 from L. *dexter* "right," because the form of glucose polarizes light to the right in spectroscopy.

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: dextrorotatory glucose called also *grape sugar*

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Dex'trose` \, n. [See Dexter.] (Chem.) A sirupy, or white crystalline, variety of sugar, C₆H₁₂O₆ (so called from turning the plane of polarization to the right), occurring in many ripe fruits. Dextrose and levulose are obtained by the inversion of cane sugar or sucrose, and hence called invert sugar. Dextrose is chiefly obtained by the action of heat and acids on starch, and hence called also starch sugar. It is also formed from starchy food by the action of the amylolytic ferments of saliva and pancreatic juice.

Note: The solid products are known to the trade as grape sugar; the sirupy products as glucose, or mixing sirup. These are harmless, but are only about half as sweet as cane or sucrose.

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Di`a*bet"ic\, Diabetical \Di`a*bet"ic*al\, a. Pertaining to diabetes, as, diabetic or diabetical treatment. --Quian.

Diabetic sugar. (Chem.) Same as Dextrose.

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2. (Chem.) Any one of a large class of sugars, isometric with glucose proper, and including levulose, galactose, etc.

3. The trade name of a sirup, obtained as an uncrystallizable residue in the manufacture of glucose proper, and containing, in addition to some dextrose or glucose, also maltose, dextrin, etc. It is used as a cheap adulterant of sirups, beers, etc.

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In"vert`\, a. (Chem.) Subjected to the process of inversion; inverted; converted; as, invert sugar.

found naturally in fruits, and produced artificially by the inversion of cane sugar (sucrose); also, less properly, the grape sugar or dextrose obtained from starch. See Inversion, Dextrose, Levulose, and Sugar.

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Lev"u"lose` \ (l[e^]v"-u]"l[=o]s'), n. [See Levo-.] (Chem.) A sirupy variety of sugar, rarely obtained crystallized, occurring widely in honey, ripe fruits, etc., and hence called also fruit sugar. It is called levulose, because it rotates the plane of polarization to the left. [Written also l[a]evulose.]

Note: It is obtained, together with an equal quantity of dextrose, by the inversion of ordinary cane or beet sugar, and hence, as being an ingredient of invert sugar, is often so called. It is fermentable, nearly as sweet as cane sugar, and is metamerous with dextrose. Cf. Dextrose.

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Sir"up|Syrup \Syr"up\, n. [F. sirop (cf. It. siroppo, Sp. jarabe, jarope, LL. siruppus, syrus), fr. Ar. sharl=ajb a drink, wine, coffee, sirup. Cf. Sherbet.]

1. A thick and viscid liquid made from the juice of fruits, herbs, etc., boiled with sugar.
2. A thick and viscid saccharine solution of superior quality (as sugarhouse sirup or molasses, maple sirup); specifically, in pharmacy and often in cookery, a saturated solution of sugar and water (simple sirup), or such a solution flavored or medicated.

Lucent sirups tinct with cinnamon. —Keats.

Mixing sirup. See the Note under Dextrose.

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Sug"ar\, n. {OE. sugre, F. sucre (cf. It. zucchero, Sp. azf'ujcar), fr. Ar. sukkar, assukkar, fr. Skr. [,c]arkar[=a] sugar, gravel; cf. Per. shakar. Cf. Saccharine, Sucrose.]

1. A sweet white (or brownish yellow) crystalline substance, of a sandy or granular consistency, obtained by crystallizing the evaporated juice of certain plants, as the sugar cane, sorghum, beet root, sugar maple, etc. It is used for seasoning and preserving many kinds of food and drink. Ordinary sugar is essentially sucrose. See the Note below.

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glucose proper, dextrose, and levulose), and the sucroses, or true sugars (as cane sugar). All sugars are carbohydrates. See Carbohydrate. The glucoses, or grape sugars, are ketone alcohols of the formula C₆H₁₂O₆, and they turn the plane of polarization to the right or the left. They are produced from the amyloses and sucroses, as by the action of heat and acids of ferment, and are themselves decomposed by fermentation into alcohol and carbon dioxide. The only sugar (called acrose) as yet produced artificially belongs to this class. The sucroses, or cane sugars, are double glucose anhydrides of the formula C₁₂H₂₂O₁₁. They are usually not fermentable as such (cf. Sucrose), and they act on polarized light.

2. By extension, anything resembling sugar in taste or appearance; as, sugar of lead (lead acetate), a poisonous white crystalline substance having a sweet taste.

3. Compliment or flattery used to disguise or render acceptable something obnoxious; honeyed or soothing words. [Colloq.]

Acorn sugar. See Quercite.

Cane sugar, sugar made from the sugar cane; sucrose, or an isomeric sugar. See Sucrose.

Diabetes, or Diabetic, sugar (Med. Chem.), a variety of sugar (probably grape sugar or dextrose) excreted in the urine in diabetes mellitus.

Fruit sugar. See under Fruit, and Fructose.

Grape sugar, a sirupy or white crystalline sugar (dextrose or glucose) found as a characteristic ingredient of ripe grapes, and also produced from many other sources. See Dextrose, and Glucose.

Invert sugar. See under Invert.

Malt sugar, a variety of sugar isomeric with sucrose, found in malt. See Maltose.

Manna sugar, a substance found in manna, resembling, but distinct from, the sugars. See Mannite.

Milk sugar, a variety of sugar characteristic of fresh milk, and isomeric with sucrose. See Lactose.

Muscle sugar, a sweet white crystalline substance isomeric with, and formerly regarded to, the glucoses. It is found in the tissue of muscle, the heart, liver, etc. Called also heart sugar. See Inosite.

Pine sugar. See Pinite.

Starch sugar (Com. Chem.), a variety of dextrose made by the action of heat and acids on starch from corn, potatoes, etc.; -- called also potato sugar, corn sugar, and, inaccurately, invert sugar. See Dextrose, and Glucose.

Sugar barek, one who refines sugar.

Sugar beet (Bot.), a variety of beet (*Beta vulgaris*) with very large white roots, extensively grown, esp. in Europe, for the sugar obtained from them.

Sugar bird (Zo["o]l.), any one of several species of small South American singing birds of the genera *C[e]reba*, *Dacnis*, and allied genera belonging to the family *C[e]rebidae*. They are allied to the honey eaters.

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Sugar of milk. See under Milk.

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Sugar pine (Bot.), an immense coniferous tree (*Pinus Lambertiana*) of California and Oregon, furnishing a soft and easily worked timber. The resinous exudation from the stumps, etc., has a sweetish taste, and has been used as a substitute for sugar.

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